ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD, IOWA[351]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 68B.32A(1), the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board hereby amends Chapter 8, "Executive Branch Lobbying," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment conforms to 2011 Iowa Acts, House File 126, which made changes to where lobbyist registration statements and lobbyist client reports are to be filed.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on August 24, 2011, as **ARC 9681B**. One public comment was received requesting that subrule 8.9(1) be rescinded because the Board no longer has the authority to dictate what information is required on a lobbyist client report and that subrule 8.9(3) be modified instead of rescinded to provide for the possibility that the General Assembly may extend a due date that falls on a weekend or a holiday. In response, this amendment has been changed from the proposed amendment published under Notice of Intended Action.

This amendment was adopted by the Board on November 10, 2011.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 68B as amended by 2011 Iowa Acts, House File 126.

This amendment will become effective on March 14, 2012.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend rule 351—8.9(68B) as follows:

351—8.9(68B) Executive branch lobbyist client reporting.

8.9(1) Every executive branch lobbyist client shall file reports that contain the following information:

- a. The name and address of the client, including a contact person.
- b. The name of the client's lobbyists.
- c. The amount of all salaries, fees, retainers, and reimbursements paid by the client to each lobbyist for engaging in lobbying activities for the period commencing on July 1 of the previous year through June 30 of the current year. A report shall be filed even if the client did not pay any compensation to the client's lobbyist. If no compensation was paid, the client shall disclose on the report \$0.00 as compensation paid. In the case of a salaried position when lobbying is part of the individual's duties, the reportable salary shall be based on a pro-rata basis of time spent engaging in lobbying activities.
- d. The signature of the client's contact person and the date signed. Lobbyist client reports filed electronically through the board's Web site are deemed signed and dated when filed.
- **8.9(2) 8.9(1)** *Place of filing.* Executive branch lobbyist client reports shall be <u>electronically</u> filed with the <u>board electronically general assembly</u> through the <u>board's general assembly's</u> Web site at <u>www.iowa.gov/ethics</u> http://www.legis.iowa.gov/Lobbyist/onlineFiling.aspx.
- **8.9(3)** <u>8.9(2)</u> *Time of filing.* An executive branch lobbyist client report shall be filed on or before July 31 unless the due date is extended by the general assembly. The report must be electronically received by the board on or before 11:59 p.m. on the due date. If the report due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the due date shall be extended to the next business day.

This rule is intended to implement 2011 Iowa Code Supplement section 68B.38.

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